

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF
MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 30TH DAY OF JUNE 2003, AT 7:15 P.M. IN
THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755
ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	Larry N. Rush	-Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Supervisors
	Gary D. Creed	
	John A. Muffo	
	James D. Politis	
	C.P. Shorter	
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Assistant County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Karen Edmonds	-Human Resources Director
	Robert C. Parker	-Public Information Officer
	Vickie L. Swinney	-Secretary
ABSENT:	Annette S. Perkins	-Vice Chairman

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

OPEN MIKE SESSION

The Board of Supervisors held their first ever “open mike” session for citizens to have open discussion with the Board of Supervisors about any topic. This session was broadcast live on WFNR, a local radio station, and the public was invited to call in or e-mail their questions to the Board of Supervisors.

Below is a list of topics that were addressed by several speakers that attended the meeting and by citizens that phoned in their questions:

1. Town of Blacksburg’s proposal to sell the Ellett Nature Park in Blacksburg. Has the County considered purchasing the property? If not, if the land was donated to the County, would they

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maintain it?

2. What is the status of widening Pepper's Ferry Road (Rt. 114) to help alleviate the congestion?
3. County Employee Health Insurance.
4. Restructuring of the Merchant's Capital Tax.
5. How much local, state, and federal land in Montgomery County is tax exempt and can the County receive any payments in lieu of taxes?
6. West Nile Virus. Are there any programs in Montgomery County to bring about citizen awareness on the West Nile Virus.
7. Comprehensive Plan. What is it? How important is it? How can one get involved?
8. Sheriff's Vehicles. What is the Board of Supervisor' position on the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department deputies driving older vehicles?
9. Consolidated Collection Sites versus Green Box Sites.
10. Timely building inspections and options for paying for building fees and permits.

Chair Rush thanked everyone that participated in the open mike session and to all residents who listened on the radio. He hopes the Board of Supervisors will continue to hold open mike sessions in the future.

INTO WORK SESSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by John A. Muffo and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Work Session for the purpose of discussing the following:

1. Health Insurance

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mary W. Biggs	None	Annette S. Perkins
C.P. Shorter		
James D. Politis		
Gary D. Creed		
John A. Muffo		
Larry N. Rush		

The Human Resources Director presented information on the Flexible Spending Account that will be made available to employees in September, 2003. The Flexible Spending Account includes pre-tax medical spending and dependent care options to employees. Employees will have the option to contribute to a flexible spending account which may be used for out-of-pocket health care costs, prescriptions, vision costs and supplies, copays, and deductibles. All money in the account must be used by the end of the plan year, or the funds will stay in the overall employer account.

The Board of Supervisors discussed several options regarding a supplement to the employee health insurance costs. The Board agreed that if they decided to supplement the insurance costs it would be for this fiscal year only, FY 2003-2004, and would be paid from the County's Trigon Fund. It was the consensus of the Board that the County contribute \$25.00 per month to the flexible spending account for employee only coverage or uninsured and 20% of the employee's cost for those covering dependents.

OUT OF WORK SESSION

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by John A. Muffo and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Work Session to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
James D. Politis	None	Annette S. Perkins
Gary D. Creed		
John A. Muffo		
Mary W. Biggs		

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C.P. Shorter
Larry N. Rush

Supplement County Employee Health Insurance

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia hereby agrees to supplement health and dental insurance cost from the County Trigon Fund for Montgomery County, Department of Social Services, and the Public Service Authority employees for Fiscal Year 2003-2004 as follows:

\$25 in a Flexible Spending Account for employees only coverage and employee with no coverage, and 20% supplement of cost paid by employees for dependent coverage.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
John A. Muffo	None	Annette S. Perkins
Gary D. Creed		
James D. Politis		
C.P. Shorter		
Mary W. Biggs		
Larry N. Rush		

APPOINTMENTS

New River Valley Community Services Board

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by C.P. Shorter and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby appoints **John A. Muffo** to the **New River Valley Community Services Board** effective July 1, 2003 and expiring June 30, 2006.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Gary D. Creed	None	Annette S. Perkins
John A. Muffo		

Mary W. Biggs
C.P. Shorter
James D. Politis
Larry N. Rush

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by C.P. Shorter and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned to Monday, July 14, 2003 at 7:15 p.m.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
John A. Muffo	None	Annette S. Perkins
Mary W. Biggs		
C.P. Shorter		
James D. Politis		
Gary D. Creed		
Larry N. Rush		

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

<u>ATTEST:</u>	
Larry N. Rush, Chair	Jeffrey D. Johnson, County Administrator